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### **SUMMARY FOR 04-05-10 THROUGH 05-09-10**

This report takes us through 05-09-10. We continue our strategy for improving the quality of life in the BID areas. This involves enforcement, outreach to the homeless, business, residential community, and tourists, and our continued commitment to coordinate our efforts with every agency, public and private, and any individual that shares our goal. To this end, we will continue to attend and host a variety of meetings which include the LAPD, City Attorney's Office, businesses, and a host of Outreach Agencies. We also continue to participate in community activities that further enhance our efforts here.

### **EVENTS OF INTEREST:**

On 04-06-10, our Officers contacted Mark at 1620 Schrader. He said that he was on parole for a sex offense and had not checked in with his Parole Agent in a long time. He requested that we arrest him. After some conversation, we learned that he just wanted to get arrested so he could get cleaned up and sleep.

We contacted PATH, but they are unable to house sex offenders. They did say they would try to find a bed for him. Sometime later, our Officers were at the LAPD Station and they saw that Mark was under arrest. The LAPD Officers said that he had defecated directly in front of the Police Station. It seems obvious that Mark followed through on his plan to get arrested.

On 04-14-10, I spoke at an orientation for Officers newly assigned to the LAPD Hollywood Station. I told them about our duties and about the great working relationship we have established with the LAPD. I asked the Officers to view us as a resource and partner in improving the quality of life in the BID areas. I was gratified when several Officers asked for my business card which I happily supplied to the group.

On 04-22-10, I was invited to address an early morning LAPD briefing. A group of Narcotics Officers were in Hollywood in order to focus on arresting suspects under the

influence of narcotics. It is known that this group is responsible for a disproportionate amount of crime. Two of our Officers attended with me. We told them about areas in the BID where such suspects could be found. Our presence turned out to be important for the BID as the Officers had mainly targeted areas of Hollywood not within our boundaries.

Later in the morning we located a suspect under the influence of heroin at the Greyhound Terminal. We called the Task Force and they responded and made the arrest.

On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday (04-26-10 – 04-28-10) we assisted with the Hollywood Homeless Registry. This was a joint effort by Hollywood 4WRD and Common Ground. Kerry Morrison and her staff were instrumental in organizing this effort. The hours were from 3:30 A.M. until 6:00 A.M. A coalition of Outreach workers and volunteers, including Sunset BID Board members Fabio Conti, Lillian Kuo, and ex-Board President Dirk Degraeve hit the streets in order to conduct interviews with the homeless population in an effort to identify those most in need of assistance.

Joe Salazar and I, as well as two of our morning teams provided security. We used one team from each BID. My two sons also volunteered in order to beef up our security presence. Several teams made up of LAPD Senior Lead Officers also provided protection for team members.

On 05-07-10, we adjusted our hours working until 1:30 A.M. in order to work on a joint anti-illegal vending task force. We joined forces with the Bureau of Street Enforcement. We ended up arresting 7 illegal venders and another 7 suspects for drinking in public. We had hoped to arrest illegal hot dog venders that have been plaguing out area recently, but they were a no show. We believe this was the result of an unusually high uniform presence of both the LAPD and LASD in the area.

On 05-08-10, we received a call for assistance from Muzer Clothes located at 6380 Hollywood Blvd. Although we receive many strange requests, this one broke new ground for us. It seems a squirrel was running loose in the store. Why the store owner chose to call us for this problem is a mystery. Our officers responded and soon spotted the furry trespasser. They gave chase. The squirrel escaped through a small hole in the ceiling. Problem solved.

### **MEETINGS ATTENDED:**

- 1) 04-06-10 LAPD Crime Control Meeting.
- 2) 04-07-10 Safe Sidewalks Meeting
- 3) 04-08-10 BID Joint Security Meeting
- 4) 04-13-10 My Friend's Place
- 5) 04-14-10 LAPD New Officer Orientation
- 6) 04-15-10 Chamber of Commerce Luncheon
- 7) 04-15-10 H+H Retail Meeting
- 8) 04-21-10 LAPD Captain Grimala-Vending Task Force
- 9) 04-22-10 LAPD Narcotics Officer Briefing
- 10) 04-22-10 HBID Board Meeting
- 11) 04-22-10 H+H Retail Meeting
- 12) 04-23-10 Homeless Registry Logistics
- 13) 04-29-10 H+H Retail Meeting
- 14) 04-30-10 Homeless registry Debriefing
- 15) 05-04-10 LAPD Crime Control Meeting
- 16) 05-05-10 Street Issues Meeting
- 17) 05-06-10 H+H Retail Meeting

#### **OUTREACH:**

On 04-07-10, our Officers found Marshall down on the ground complaining of chest pain. Rescue 82 responded and transported him to the hospital.

On 04-08-10, our Officers found a semi-conscious female down on the ground. She was very much under the influence and was having trouble keeping her clothes on. We called Paramedics and R27 responded and took her to the hospital.

On 04-05-10, our Officers responded to the Blessed Sacrament Church and broke up a fight between two men in the food line. They then found a female down due to unknown medical problems. We called Paramedics and Rescue #47 responded and took the woman to the hospital.

Our second team of Officers found long time homeless woman Nancy at the location vomiting. We called a second Paramedic team and Rescue #82 responded and transported Nancy to the hospital.

On 04-08-10, our officers contacted an elderly man named Mr. Valentine at 1341 Vine. He had forgotten where he had parked his car and had been looking for several hours. After some investigation, we were able to narrow the search to two different parking lots. We

then found the car at a lot near Big Wangs. Mr. Valentine was very grateful.

On 04-14-10, we assisted LAPD with the detention of assault suspect Jack. The 37 year old suspect suddenly punched 65 year old victim Dennis who was a tourist from Tennessee and had no idea why the suspect struck him. Our early morning team had met Jack for the first time earlier that morning. LAPD placed a 5150 hold on this clearly troubled man. He told our Officers that he believed that he should die because he loves to beat old people.

On 04-24-10, we received a radio call of a passed out male at 6384 Hollywood Blvd. (Popeye's). Upon arrival we found a male in his thirties unconscious at a table. We called Paramedics who responded and took him to the hospital.

On 04-29-10, our Officers found Raymond down on the ground at 5955 Hollywood Blvd. He was homeless and hungry. We called the PATH Hero Team and Alex responded to the location. He gave him lunch and made arrangements to help him fill out the proper paperwork in order to get his Veteran's benefits. Raymond was very appreciative for the help.

On 05-02-10, we received a call of a man refusing to leave the 7 Day Market located at 6071 Hollywood Blvd. Our Officers convinced Gerald to move to a bus bench. He then said he was feeling very ill. We called Paramedics and Unit 82 responded to the scene.

They were annoyed and asked "What are you guys going to call us on every homeless person on every bus bench?" A Battalion Chief responded and made the decision to transport Gerald to the hospital. Occasionally frustrations bubble to the service in this difficult work, but these problems are the exception rather than the rule.

On 05-02-10, we received a radio call of a wheelchair bound woman passed out in front of Bad Behavior located at 6407 Sunset Blvd. Upon arrival, our Officers were not able to rouse the woman. She appeared to be about 60 years old. She was drooling a great deal. We called Paramedics and Unit 82 arrived and transported the woman to the hospital.

On 05-03-10, we received a radio call regarding a lost 68 year old man. Upon arrival we contacted Jack who was lost. After some investigation, the Officers learned that he lived in a retirement home

located at 1140 Gower. They then drove him home. The staff was grateful for our help.

On 05-04-10, our Officers saw two citizens trying to assist a man who was down on the ground in front of the W Hotel located at 6250 Hollywood Blvd. We called Paramedics and Squad 82 responded and transported the man to the hospital.

We have received several complaints from Sunset/Gower Studios regarding a homeless man who lives on the sidewalk on Gordon Street. They complain that he blocks the sidewalk and creates a foul odor in the area. We have made numerous contacts with this man (Etoya) in the past, but he has been reluctant to accept assistance.

On 05-05-10, we again contacted Etoya. He said he was willing to move off the sidewalk, but he was unable to get up. He had a serious leg injury. He agreed to go to the hospital for treatment. He had always refused in the past. We then called Paramedics who transported him to the hospital. Etoya had a great deal of foul smelling debris and shopping carts on the sidewalk. He gave us permission to have it hauled away. Clean Streets responded and we helped them load up the debris. Etoya is getting much needed medical treatment and the sidewalk is now clean and clear of debris.

On 05-05-10, our Officers were flagged down at Vine and Delongpre regarding a woman down behind the bus bench. We made contact with Joan who was sleeping and was soaked in urine. Our officers contacted the PATH Hero Team who agreed to come to the location. They arrived, but could not transport her as she was unable to stand or walk. Joan refused to accept treatment or transportation from Paramedics who had also arrived at the scene. We then called Enil Thomas of the Los Angeles Department of Mental Health. He also said that there was nothing he could do because of her medical condition.

Our Officers spent close to an hour trying to convince Joan to accept help. She refused. Our Officers and PATH were eventually forced to leave Joan at the location. We will monitor Joan and continue our efforts to get her assistance.

There was a second woman at the location named Debbie. She had been wandering in the street. She was lost and seemed disorientated. Our Officers spoke to Debbie. They learned that she had been living at a Board and Care in Pomona. She was lost, scared, and crying. We were able to learn the address of her Board and Care. LAPD arrived

and tried to take her home. She refused to go with them. Because of the rapport our Officers had established, they were able to calm Debbie and convince her to let the LAPD Officers take her home. She was very happy when she realized she would be going back to her home.

### **ENFORCEMENT:**

In the Hollywood BID we have made a total of 340 arrests. One hundred and seventy two were for drinking in public, 28 for urinating in public, 25 for misdemeanor drugs, 18 for trespass, 23 for illegal vending, 5 for battery, 20 for blocking the sidewalk, 9 for theft, 2 for vandalism, 13 for miscellaneous misdemeanors, and 25 for felonies. We also made 296 homeless referrals, assisted 214 agencies, provided extra patrol to 1332 locations, assisted 1522 citizens, handled 1033 radio calls for service and made 1192 business contacts.

In the Sunset BID, we have made a total of 97 arrests. Sixty four were for drinking in public, 13 for urinating in public, 5 for drugs, 1 for trespass, 1 for illegal vending, 2 for battery, 1 for blocking the sidewalk, 1 for theft, 1 for vandalism, 3 for miscellaneous misdemeanors, and 5 for felonies. We also made 111 homeless referrals, assisted 87 agencies, provided extra patrol to 552 locations, assisted 1052 citizens, handled 471 radio calls for service, and made 350 business contacts.

The combined totals for both BIDS are 437 arrests. Two hundred and thirty six for drinking in public, 41 for urinating in public, 30 for misdemeanor drugs, 19 for trespass, 24 for illegal vending, 7 for battery, 21 for blocking the sidewalk, 10 for theft, 3 for vandalism, 16 for miscellaneous misdemeanors and 30 for felonies. We also made a combined total of 407 homeless referrals, assisted 301 agencies, provided extra patrol to

1884 locations, assisted 2574 citizens, handled 1504 radio calls for service, and made 1542 business contacts.

#### **ARRESTS OF INTEREST:**

On 04-09-10, our Officers responded to a radio call at the 7-11 located at 1810 Cahuenga regarding a transient refusing to leave. The Manager wanted the suspect arrested for trespass and he signed a Private Person's Arrest Form. We then placed suspect Douglas under arrest for trespass.

Douglas was extremely hostile and started threatening the Officers. He said he would stab, shoot, and burn down their houses. He also

threatened their families. LAPD Detectives viewed the video of the suspect making these threats and then charged him with felony Terrorist Threats.

On 04-11-10, we arrested William for blocking the sidewalk at Hollywood and Highland. He resisted arrest and spit at our Officers. Our Officers were able to control him and force him to the ground. He was placed under arrest with no injuries.

On 04-12-10, our officers contacted a woman who had just been the victim of a hit and run traffic collision at 1811 Whitley. Our officers followed a trail of leaked anti freeze from the suspect's vehicle, which led them to 1800 Whitley. The suspects white Firebird was parked at the location. After a short time, the suspect James returned to the vehicle. Our Officers confronted him and he confessed to the crime. We called LAPD who charged him with a felony for Hit and Run and Driving Under the Influence.

On 04-14-10 our Officers saw juvenile suspects Mitchell and Miguel ingesting nitrous oxide in the courtyard of the W Hotel located at 6250 Hollywood Blvd. We arrested them for the crime.

On 04-16-10, we received a call from business owner John Tronson regarding some kind of assault at 6232 Hollywood Blvd. ((Famous Philly Cheese Steak). We learned that two suspects were attempting to steal items. When the owner tried to stop them, an altercation occurred. This elevated the attempted theft into a robbery.

A Security Guard working for Scientology told us that one of the suspects dropped a magazine from a semi automatic handgun as he fled the scene. Our Officers found this suspect (Marco) hiding in an alcove in an alley near Hollywood and Vine. He had a magazine containing 40 caliber rounds in his pocket. We then arrested him and learned that he is a two striker and is currently on probation for robbery. He also had four outstanding warrants.

The owner did not want to prosecute for the robbery. LAPD arrived and booked the suspect for a felony as he was in possession of ammunition which was a violation of his probation.

On 04-17-10, our officers arrested Donald for drinking in public at 7021 Hollywood Blvd. (Fresh and Easy). We then learned that he was on Parole.

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On 04-18-10, our Officers arrested Omar for exposing himself in front of children near the fountain at the Hollywood and Highland complex located at 6801 Hollywood Blvd. We also learned that he had stolen property from a store in the mall, as well as having several outstanding warrants.

On 04-19-10, our officers saw three suspects take a dog from a handicapped man. He said it was a service dog. Suspect Sonya fled on foot, but we were able to catch her. The other two suspects fled the scene in a van. When our Officers returned to the crime scene, the victim was gone. Sonya was in possession of marijuana and was arrested for that charge.

On 04-22-10 we received a radio call of a forgery suspect at the C.C.S Check Cashing located at 6565 Hollywood Blvd. Our Officers took suspect Dennis into custody for the felony.

On 04-24-10, our Officers were conducting an extra patrol at 1747 N. Cahuenga when they saw Morris walk out of the location carrying a 30 pack of beer that he had not paid for. We arrested him for theft. The charge was changed to a felony when it was learned that he had a prior conviction for this offense.

On 04-27-10, we received a radio call of an assault at the Capitol Records building located at 1750 Vine. Upon arrival we learned that Felicia had assaulted a male Security Guard and a female employee. The guard sustained a cut to his hand and the female's face was very red from where she had been struck. The suspect also knocked the guard backwards and into a glass door. They estimated the damage to be \$5,000.00.

Our Officers found the suspect in the street yelling at passing cars. They held her for felony vandalism and assault. LAPD arrived and took her into custody. The LAPD Officers placed a 5150 hold on the suspect.

On 04-30-10, our Officers were conducting a business check at the CVC Pharmacy located at 1747 N. Cahuenga. As our officers arrived, they heard a woman screaming. The Manager pointed out Michael who had just fled the location. We then learned that the suspect had snatched six dollars from the hand of victim Carol. She is wheelchair bound and suffers from extreme mental illness. The suspect yelled "You don't need this you F-ing Retard" as he grabbed her money. Our Officers were able to capture the suspect and he was arrested for felony Grand Theft Person.

On 05-05-10, our Officers arrested Daniel Alvarez (12-21-88) for drinking in public at 1514 Wilcox. We then learned that he was on felony probation for vandalism. He is part of a tagging crew called "DNA" (Do Not Arrest).

### **DEPLOYMENT:**

During this period we continued our 6:00 A.M to 8:00 P.M. coverage. Our patrol included vehicle, foot, T-3's and bicycles. We did adjust our hours working until 1:00 A.M. in order to participate in a joint illegal vending task force.

### **TRAINING UPDATE:**

Our Officers received training in the areas of legal update, and illegal vending enforcement. We received the illegal vending training from both the Bureau of Street Enforcement and an Investigator from the Motion Picture Association of America. We also had live fire training at our Burbank Range as well as defensive tactics instruction.